



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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RE: MUR 6037
Jeff Merkley for Oregon and
Kevin Neely, in his official capacity
as treasurer
Democratic Senatorial Campaign
Committee and John B. Poersch,
Jr., in his official capacity as
treasurer

Dear Mr. Elias:

On July 17, 2008, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, Jeff Merkley for Oregon and Kevin Neely, in his official capacity as treasurer, and the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and John B. Poersch, Jr., in his official capacity as treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

On November 17, 2009, the Commission considered the complaint but there were an insufficient number of votes to find reason to believe that your clients violated the Act. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A Statement of Reasons providing the basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

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If you have any questions, please contact Shana M. Broussard, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Allen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" and last name "Allen" clearly distinguishable.

Mark Allen
Assistant General Counsel

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